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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/929,137	Confirmation No. : 9889
Applicant : Scott E. Moore	
Filed : August 13, 2001	Attorney Docket No.: 500199.05
Art Unit : 3723	Customer No. : 27,076
Examiner : Maurina T. Rachuba	
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PLANARIZING A MICROELECTRONIC SUBSTRATE WITH A TILTED PLANARIZING SURFACE	

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated September 17, 2004, and herewith petitions the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a 1-month extension of time for filing this response from December 17, 2004, to January 17, 2005. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$120 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.